

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A multipurpose fishing net for sport anglers serves as a landing net, a "strip box" for holding line stripped from a reel prior to casting, and also as a shallow container for temporarily holding a freshly caught fish for photography or other momentary capture before release. A rigid frame is formed of lightweight tubular components, such as polyvinyl chloride (PVC) pipe. The structure is buoyant, with additional flotation provided by closed cell foam. A net is secured to two opposite sides or more preferably to all four sides of the frame, around the floatation foam portions. The net has some slack therein so that it extends loosely between opposite sides, to allow a captured fish to reside mostly within the water when the present net is floating therein. A tether extends from the frame of the device, for temporary attachment to clothing or other article.

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